

WE HAVE OPENINGS FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR!!

PLEASE APPLY AT THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PRE-K APPLICATIONS

Five elementary schools have Voluntary Pre-K classes: Dickson Elementary, Oakmont Elementary, Stuart-Burns Elementary, Vanleer Elementary and White Bluff Elementary. **Children must be zoned to the school in order to make application.** Students are assigned to a Pre-K class based on Tier Classification.

If you live in Dickson County and are unsure of the school your child is zoned to attend, you may call Transportation at 615-740-5970.

Senate Bill 1022

- (a) Each LEA is authorized to and may provide for enrollment in prekindergarten programs for any at-risk child residing in the geographic area served by the LEA who is four (4) years of age, or who will become four (4) years of age, on or before August 31 for the 2013-2014 school year and on or before August 15 for all school years thereafter. Any child may enroll in a program when an insufficient number of at-risk children are enrolled to fill a specific classroom.

Parents are asked to provide the following to enroll a child in school:

- I. PROOF OF CHILD'S AGE, SUCH AS A BIRTH CERTIFICATE
- II. EVIDENCE OF IMMUNIZATION
- III. COMPLETE PHYSICAL EXAMINATION (BY SCHOOL ENTRANCE DATE)
- IV. THREE PROOFS OF RESIDENCE (CURRENT UTILITY BILLS, DRIVERS LICENSE)

THE IMMUNIZATION LAW SPECIFIES THE FOLLOWING: Tennessee Department of Health Rule Chapter 1200-14-1-.29

A brief summary of the required immunizations for child care facilities, schools and colleges is listed below. The new requirements are in bold print and the effective dates are italicized in parentheses.

Children enrolling in child care facilities, pre-school, pre-Kindergarten:

Infants entering child care facilities must be up to date at the time of enrollment and are required to provide an updated certificate after completing all of the required vaccines due by 18 months of age.

- Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis (DTaP, or DT if appropriate)
- Poliomyelitis (IPV or OPV)
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (1 dose of each, usually given together as MMR)
- Varicella (1 dose or history of disease)
- **Haemophilus influenzae type B (Hib)** – age younger than 5 years only (This requirement is resumed immediately, following suspension during a national Hib vaccine shortage 2008-2009)
- **Hepatitis B (HBV)** (*July 1, 2010*)
- **Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV)** – age younger than 5 years only (*July 1, 2010*)
- **Hepatitis A** – 1 dose, required by 18 months of age or older (*July 1, 2010*)

Children with medical or religious exemption to requirements:

- **Medical:** Healthcare provider must indicate which specific vaccines are medically exempted (because of risk of harm) on the new form. Other vaccines remain required.
- **Religious:** Requires only a signed statement by the parent/guardian that vaccination conflicts with their religious tenets or practices. *If* documentation of a health examination is required, it must be noted by the health care provider on the immunization certificate. In that case, the provider may explain the absence of immunization information by checking that the parent has obtained a religious exemption.

**First day of Voluntary Pre-K for the 2018-2019 school year is
Monday, August 13, 2018.**